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PRIMIN DEMIREL FURTHER EXPANDED HIS PUBLIC PRESENTATION OF
VIEWS ON CYPRUS VIA AN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED IN CONSERVATIVE
TERCUMAN AUGUST 10. FOLLOWING ARE HIGHLIGHTS OF DEMIREL'S
REMARKS ON CYPRUS:

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A. U.S. ATTITUDE: "(CYPRUS) IS NOT SIMPLY A MATTER
DEPENDENT ON OUR WILL. IT IS A DISPUTE... WHILE THE CYPRUS
PROBLEM IS A PROBLEM BETWEEN TURKEY AND GREECE, AMERICA
HAS TAKEN A STAND ON GREECE'S SIDE AND HAS MADE IT A PROBLEM
BETWEEN TURKEY AND AMERICA... AMERICA DOES NOT HAVE THE
RIGHT TO SAY SOLVE THE CYPRUS PROBLEM, IF YOU CAN'T SOLVE
IT, WE WILL APPLY THAT PUNISHMENT TO YOU. WE CANNOT ACCEPT

THIS. THE CYPRUS PROBLEM IS AN EXTRAORDINARILY IMPORTANT PROBLEM, BUT THIS (THE QUESTION OF YIELDING TO U.S. PRESSURE) IS NOT A LESS IMPORTANT PROBLEM... TURKEY WILL NOT DESCEND TO THAT POINT."

B. MAKARIOS' DEATH: "TIME WILL SHOW" THE SIGNIFICANCE OF MAKARIOS' DEATH FOR THE CYPRUS PROBLEM. "IT WOULD BE EXTRAORDINARILY MISTAKEN TO MAKE AN ESTIMATE OR A COMMENT."

C. APPROACH TO A SETTLEMENT: "THESE PROBLEMS WILL BE SETTLED BY NEGOTIATIONS. IF WE ADVERTISE WHAT IS NECESSARY FOR US TO DO, WE WILL MAKE THE NEGOTIATIONS UNNECESSARY. IN THE COURSE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS, FORMS OF SOLUTION THAT THE NATION WILL APPROVE OR NOT WILL EMERGE. THEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DAY WILL MAKE A DECISION USING ITS DISCRETION. IF THE POSSIBILITY ARISES THAT THE NATION, USING ITS DISCRETION, DOES NOT APPROVE THE DECISION TO BE MADE, THE GOVERNMENT WILL LEAVE OFFICE. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO TAKE A DECISION THAT THE PARLIAMENT WILL NOT APPROVE, THAT THE NATION WILL NOT APPROVE. THERE IS NO MIDDLE GROUND PROPOSAL THAT WE CAN DEBATE... WE PUT IN THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM WHAT COULD BE DONE. IN THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAM IT IS WRITTEN THAT THIS PROBLEM WILL BE SOLVED THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS."

D. DEMIREL ALSO DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WHAT HE CHARACTERIZED AS THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF HIS PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT IN DEALING

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WITH THE CYPRUS PROBLEM:

(1) WHEREAS 50,000 TURKISH-CYPRIOTS WERE LEFT IN SOUTHERN CYPRUS AT THE TIME HIS PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT TOOK OFFICE, TODAY "NO TURK HAS REMAINED IN THE SOUTH".

(2) THE TURKISH FEDERATED STATE OF CYPRUS WAS CREATED AND MADE TO FUNCTION.

(3) TURKISH-CYPRIOT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WAS ACCELERATED.

(4) THE TURKISH CYPRIOT FIGHTER ORGANIZATION WAS DEVELOPED TO THE STATUS OF "STATE SECURITY FORCES".

(5) THE TFSC WAS ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL GATHERINGS. SPIERS

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